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Dear Dr. Cowles:

My wife and I were interested to read the recent papers from your laboratory on lysogenicity in *B. megaterium*. We have been interested in *E. coli* lysogenicity for some time, but are only just getting around to summarizing our work. The enclosed abstract may give some idea of its directions.

I wanted to ask you, first, for reprints of the above-mentioned, but also whether, by any chance, you can help me locate or find more about the "flagellar" phages originally described by Sertic and Boulgakov, and later by Rakietsen and Bornstein. Rakietsen's military service lost his cultures for him, and I am a little pessimistic about the chances of reisolating them by straightforward search. Have you ever heard anything about them?

With best regards,

Sincerely,


Joshua Lederberg